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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7027

BILL NUMBER: SB 367

DATE PREPARED: Dec 20, 2000

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Drug Regimens.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

Summary of Legislation: This bill defines "written authorization". It adds the ordering of tests as a modification by a pharmacist of a drug regimen. The bill allows a physician to delegate authority to a pharmacist to modify a patient's drug regimen under the physician's supervision. The bill also requires a written authorization by a physician to include the following: (1) The physician who is delegating the authority to modify the drug regimen. (2) The patient's name. (3) The name of any pharmacist that is authorized to modify the patient's drug regimen. (4) The physician's diagnosis of the patient's condition or disease. (5) The method of documentation for any modification made of a patient's regimen by a pharmacist. (6) The frequency and type of communication necessary for each modification of a patient's drug regimen. The bill establishes certain conditions that must be met in order for a physician's written authorization to be valid when modifying a patient's drug regimen.

Effective Date: January 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: